HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES—Monday, September 25, 2000

The House met at 12:30 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. LAHOOD).

DESIGNATION OF SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

> WASHINGTON, DC. September 25, 2000.

I hereby appoint the Honorable RAY LAHOOD to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

J. Dennis Hastert. Speaker of the House of Representatives.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Cheek, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate has passed with amendment in which the concurrence of the House is requested, a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 4365. An act to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to children's health.

The message also announced that the Senate agrees to the amendment of the House to the bill (S. 430) "An Act to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act to provide for a land exchange between the Secretary of Agriculture and the Kake Tribal Corporation, and for other purposes.'

The message also announced that the Senate has passed a bill of the following title in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 2511. An act to establish the Kenai Mountains-Turnagain Arm National Heritage Area in the State of Alaska, and for other purposes.

MORNING HOUR DEBATES

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the order of the House of January 19, 1999, the Chair will now recognize Members from lists submitted by the majority and minority leaders for morning hour debates. The Chair will alternate recognition between the parties, with each party limited to not to exceed 30 minutes, and each Member, except the majority leader, the minority leader, or the minority whip, limited to not to exceed 5 minutes.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12 of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until 2 p.m. Representatives:

Accordingly (at 12 o'clock and 31 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess until 2 p.m.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. LAHOOD) at 2 p.m.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, offered the following prayer:

Divine Wisdom and Eternal Goodness, be with us today as this Congress assembles. Help us to be enthusiastic in accomplishing what is good for Your people and strategic for the future of this Nation.

May our set purpose be rewarded by You alone, God of our salvation and our destiny.

For if we bear Your spirit of peace in our hearts as we go about our work, we will not veer off course or be disappointed.

In the end, we will have accomplished Your holy will by building Your kingdom of justice and lasting peace, now and forever. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. TRAFICANT) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. TRAFICANT led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of

OFFICE OF THE CLERK. House of Representatives, Washington, DC, September 22, 2000.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,

The Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted to Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on September 22, 2000 at 1:55 p.m.

That the Senate agreed to Conference Report H.R. 4919.

That the Senate passed without amendment H. Con. Res. 405.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely.

JEFF TRANDAHL. Clerk of the House.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Washington, DC, September 22, 2000. Hon. J. Dennis Hastert,

The Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, I have the honor to transmit a sealed envelope received from the White House on September 22, 2000 at 12:42 p.m. and said to contain a message from the President whereby he notifies the Congress that he has extended the national emergency with respect to Angola (UNITA) beyond September 26, 2000, by Notice filed earlier with the Federal Register.

With best wishes, I am Sincerely.

> JEFF TRANDAHL. Clerk of the House.

CONTINUATION OF NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO THE UNITA-MESSAGE FROM THE UNITED PRESIDENT OF STATES (H. DOC. NO. 106-294)

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following message from the President of the United States; which was read and, together with the accompanying papers, without objection, referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered to be printed:

To the Congress of the United States:

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act, 50 U.S.C. 1622(d) provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, prior to the